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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination thereof, please amend the above referenced patent application as follows:

In The Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 35, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Repeating short sequence motifs are located at position 4221 (TCTA)₄, at position 2304 (GCCT)₃ and position 2364 (GCT)₃. A direct repeat of sequence AAAAATGTAATCAAGCTTT (SEQ ID NO: 17) is located at positions 3199 and 3275. In the 5' untranslated region directly before the translation start (position 4671 in Seq ID No. 1) there is a GC- rich sequence CCCGGCCGCC (SEQ ID NO: 18), which is also present in the 5'-